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AFTER EXTRACORPOREAL BLOOD CIRCULATION
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement of April 28, 1999, applicants elect the L-selectin species, i.e., item "B" in point 4 of the action.

The claims which read on this election are claims 1, 2, 5-11, 13-24, 27 and 28.

This election is made with traverse. The reasoning the examiner is advancing for the restriction is hard to understand. It appears that the examiner is holding via the art which he has cited that there is no patentable distinction between the antibodies. If this is the case, then there should be no restriction.

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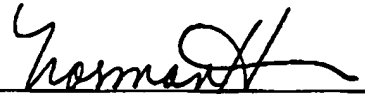
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Reconsideration of the restriction requirement and withdrawal thereof is requested.

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